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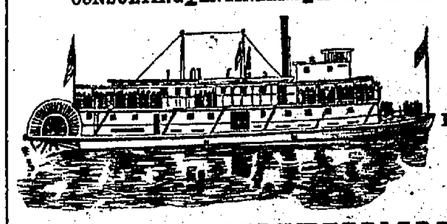
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IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Kongmoon having been declared a Treaty Port, an Office of the Imperial Maritime Customs will be opened there on MONDAY, 7th March, 1904. Shipment and discharge of Goods and Passengers will be allowed under the provisional rules for trade on the West River separately notified. The provisional steamer anchorage will be in the West River opposite the I.M. Customs near the mouth of the Kongmoon Creek.

F. W. MAZE,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,
Kongmoon, March 1, 1904. 417

IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Kongmoon having been declared a Treaty Port, and the Provisional Regulations of Trade on the West River of 1897 being under revision, the following provisional rules will govern steamer traffic on the West River until further notice:—

The 1897 Regulations remain in force where not affected by the provisional rules now published.

Shipment and discharge of goods and passengers will be allowed, in addition to Treaty Ports, at the following six Stages or Ports of Call:

Kumchuk, Paktauhau, Shiuhing, Lotinghau, Takhing and Dosing, and steamers may land and ship passengers and their luggage at any of the following ten regular passenger stations:

Yungki (in Tailung Channel), Mahning (in Junction Channel), Kaukong, Kulow, Wingon, Howlik, Lukpu, Yuetsing, Lukto, and Fungchuen (in West River).

Passengers' luggage must not contain articles subject to duty, and the presence of dutiable articles will render the whole liable to confiscation.

Steamers are divided into two classes:

1. Local River Steamers running from Canton or Kongmoon to ports up river without leaving Liang Kwang waters.
2. Foreign-going Steamers from and to Hongkong, Macao, etc., trading for the voyage up and down river.

LOCAL RIVER STEAMERS will deposit their registers with their Consul or (if Consularly unrepresented) with the Customs at Canton or Kongmoon, where the Customs, in addition to inspection or issue of the Arms Certificate, will issue a Certificate to the steamer to be called the RIVER PASS valid for the year during which issued, on expiry of which it must be either surrendered or renewed at Canton or Kongmoon.

FOREIGN-GOING STEAMERS will enter the West River either *via* Kongmoon or *via* Canton. If entering *via* Kongmoon they will take the Motomoon (Broadway) route and report at the Mongchao (Lappa Customs) Station, to comply with the requirements of previous regulations including issue or inspection of Arms Certificate, and take out the KONGMOON PASS. They will then proceed direct to Kongmoon where, if bound further up the West River, they will surrender the said Pass to the Kongmoon Customs, and deposit their Registers with their Consul or (if Consularly unrepresented), with the Customs, and receive a Certificate to be called the SPECIAL RIVER PASS, without which they may not trade at any Treaty Port of Call or Passenger Station On return to Kongmoon and when all duties are paid or accounted for, the Customs, on surrender of the Special River Pass, will issue a Clearance which will entitle Steamers to the return of register and KONGMOON PASS, which latter is to be surrendered at Mongchao on the way out for cancellation. If entering *via* Canton, steamers will deposit their registers with Consul or Customs in order to obtain the SPECIAL RIVER PASS, the surrender of which on return to Canton will entitle them to Customs Clearance and possession of register.

Steamers trading at the West River Treaty Ports must enter and clear and load and discharge cargo in the same manner as at other Treaty Ports along the Coast, and in accordance with the Customs Regulations of the River Port concerned.

DUTY TREATMENT.

Cargo arriving from a Foreign Port (a) for a Treaty Port pays Import Duty at Port of discharge, (b) for a Port of Call is to be reported at first Treaty Port, Kongmoon or Canton, and pay Import Duty there.

Native Goods imported at a Treaty Port from a Port of Call without passing another Treaty Port *en route* pay Full Import Duty at Port of discharge; exported from a Treaty Port to a Port of Call without passing another Treaty Port *en route* pay Export Duty at Port of shipment. If passing a Treaty Port *en route* Native Goods imported or exported as above pay Full and Half Duty on discharge or shipment. Native Goods from a Port of Call to a Port of Call passing a Treaty Port *en route* must be reported and pay Full Import Duty at said Treaty Port.

Cargo shipped at a Port of Call for a Foreign Port pays Export Duty at Kongmoon or Canton. Foreign-going steamers when applying for Customs Clearance at Kongmoon or Canton are required to present a Manifest of all cargo on board, and either pay Duty or exhibit proof of duty paid elsewhere.

The above Rules take effect from 7th March, 1904.

E. DE LUCA,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,
Canton, 1st March, 1904. 418

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Hongkong, February 25, 1904. 361

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The SHANGHAI COTTON SPINNING COMPANY LIMITED carrying on business at Shanghai in the Empire of China as manufacturers, have on the 25th day of January, 1904, applied for the Registration in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks of the following Trade Mark.

The representations of Two Tigers above which are the Chinese Characters

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(reading SHANG HOI KI HI FONG SHA KUNG SZ) meaning in English the Shanghai Machine Spinning Company, and below which is the name of the Company 'The Shanghai Cotton Spinning Company, Limited,'

in the name of The Shanghai Cotton Spinning Company, Limited, who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof.

The Trade Mark has been used by the Applicants since the month of December, 1902, in respect of the following goods:

Cotton Yarn in Class 23.

A facsimile of the Trade Mark can be seen at the office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and also at the office of the undersigned.

Dated the 5th day of February, 1904.

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THE FISCAL QUESTION.

An Amusing Correspondence.

(*From Our Own Correspondent.*)

LONDON, January 22.

Here is a pretty correspondence.

(1) My dear Chamberlain, Let me remind you that I control the funds of the L.U.A., and am not going to hand out dollars to spread your pestilent heresies. The association must just go to smash if you try to capture it.—Yours, Devonshire.

(2) My Dear Devonshire, Don't be a dog in the manger. The brass is not yours, and when you talk of smashing the L.U.A. I am ashamed of you.—Yours, Joseph.

(3) My dear Chamberlain, I never threatened to smash it. I only told you what would happen. Home Rule is as dead as the dodo and the thing had better dissolve gracefully before you get hold of its machinery for fiscal follies. However, I will see Jesse and Pow-wow.—Yours Devonshire.

So the Duke saw Jesse, and for three months there were alarums and excursions. The Duke interfered at Dulwich and Lewisham by an unsuccessful attempt to win seats for pro-Boers, Little Englanders, Passive Resisters, any cattle in fact that would support the Little Mary party of Free Fooders. Then came the last letter in which Joseph (entangled) determined to disentangle himself by a general meeting, to be held in February to settle whether he or the Duke should resign. But I doubt if he will find it so easy to get rid of a man of Devonshire's 'perserving patriotism.'

CONTRABAND OF WAR.

Engineering, in a special article, deals with the question of contraband of war, and points out that the following goods are absolutely contraband:—Arms of all kinds, and machinery for manufacturing them. Ammunition, and materials for ammunition, including lead, sulphate of potash, chloride of potash, chlorate of potash, and nitrate of soda; gunpowder and its materials; saltpetre and brimstone; also gun-cotton. Military equipments and clothing, military stores. Naval stores, such as masts, spars, rudders, and ships' timber, hemp and cordage, sailcloth, pitch and tar, copper fit for sheathing vessels, marine engines, and the componet parts thereof, including screw-propellers, cylinders, cranks, shafts, boilers, tubes for boilers, boiler-plates, and fire-bars; marine cement, and the materials used in the manufacture thereof, as blue lias and Portland cement. Iron in any of the following forms:—Anchors, rivet-iron, angle-iron, round bars of ¾ in. to 5 in. in diameter, rivets, strips of iron, sheet-plate iron exceeding ¼ in., and Low Moor and Bowling plates. The above list was compiled in 1866, and revised in 1888. All the articles which, since that date, have been found to be useful in naval warfare must be added to the list. As an illustration, we might mention Marconi's apparatus and search-light machinery. The following goods are entered as conditionally contraband:—All goods fit for purposes of war and peace alike (not hereinbefore specified absolutely contraband), on board a vessel which has a hostile destination, are conditionally contraband—that is, they are contraband only in case it may be presumed that they are intended to be used for purposes of war. This presumption arises when such hostile destination of the vessel is either the enemy's fleet at sea, or a hostile port used exclusively or mainly for naval or military equipment. The list comprises provisions and liquors fit for consumption of army or navy, money, telegraphic materials—*e.g.*, wire, porous cups, platinum, sulphuric acid, and zinc: materials for the construction of a railway, such as iron bars, sleepers, &c.; coals, hay, horses, resin, tallow, and timber. It will be noticed that in the above list coal is classed amongst the articles which are conditionally contraband. Although there is some difference of opinion amongst the Powers, the international rule may be taken to be that the question whether coal is contraband or not is to be determined by reference to the circumstances in which it is found. If, adds *Engineering*, it is consigned to the warships of a belligerent Power, it is obviously contraband; and it will also, in some countries, be declared contraband if the vessel carrying it be on a voyage to a belligerent port.

Chess Tournament.

A Chess Tournament was began at Monte Carlo on the 8th ult. in which the competitors will be Schlechter, Maroczy, Marco, Marshall, Swiderski, and Gunsberg. The winner will receive a Challenge Cup and a prize of 5000f. (£200).

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THE FRENCH DUEL.

The eagerly-expected duel between M. Barre, a maitre d'armes, and M. Thomoguez, the famous Parisian amateur swordsman who once fought the great Italian fencer, Pini, took place at Neuilly on December 5. Though there was a dense fog and the rain was falling, 200 people drove to the ground in motor cars and cabs. The actual encounter took place in a large hall, where there were 50 photographers assembled to catch every feature of this encounter between masters of the art of swordsmanship. M. Thomoguez is 56 and fat, M. Barre a little dried-up man, but full of nerve and resolution. The first attacked with impetuosity. The other defended himself with cool method, seeking to tire out his opponent. Those who expected sanguinary scenes were disappointed. Both men were far too skilful. At the ninth encounter, after 45 minutes' fighting, no blood was drawn. Then the seconds had a consultation, and finally approached the principals.

'You are,' said one of these, 'both men of the sword and men of honour. We are unanimous in our opinion. We think your quarrel has been nobly settled, and that you will do yourselves honour by shaking each other's hand.'

Then M. Thomoguez approached his rival. 'You have fought splendidly, Monsieur,' he said, smilingly.

The maitre d'armes no less jovially replied, 'I am happy, Monsieur, to have encountered a swordsman like yourself.'

Those present applauded discreetly. The only persons dissatisfied were two ladies who were disappointed at not witnessing the pleasing spectacle of one of the combatants being spitted on the other's sword.

'Really,' said one, 'was it worth upsetting everybody for this?'

THE WHITAKER WRIGHT CASE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, January 29.

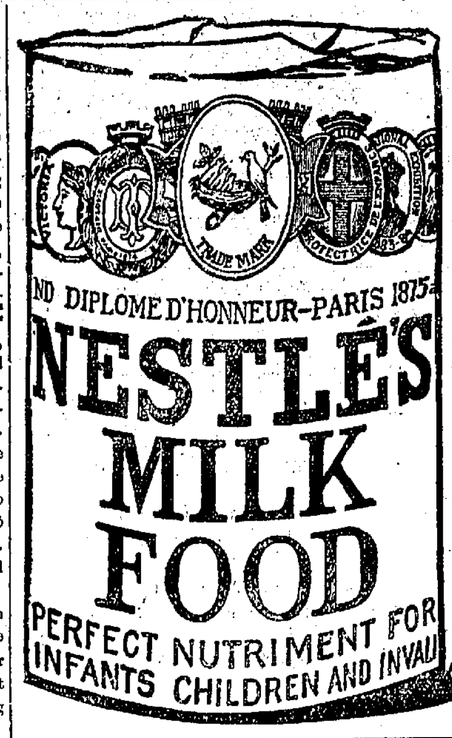
The immediate sensation is the tragic ending of the Whitaker Wright trial. It may be difficult to enforce the searching of defendants who are on bail, and free to go during the progress of their trial, but it seems amazing that a loaded revolver should have been one of the things found in the suicide's pockets. I well remember the sensation caused in the House of Commons fifteen years ago by an Irish member who brought a sword stick within the precincts of the House. He was innocent of any wish to cause a disturbance, but the matter was brought to the notice of the Speaker, who gravely censured the offender and pronounced a homily upon the iniquity of carrying arms in the august premises. How much worse it must be, if defendants in our Courts of justice are to have concealed revolvers, lest the judge should transgress their notions of equity or mercy, and that they may be then ready to evade their sentence by suicide, or perhaps avenge it by murder. Last year, it was Burmash, the forger; this year it is Wright, the financier, a far more dangerous criminal. After this, new regulations will be made to prevent the recurrence of an incident so discreditable.

The conviction and sentence came as a surprise to American students of finance, and the refusal last year of our own Attorney-General to initiate a prosecution proves that many competent men on this side of the Atlantic thought that a man could hardly be punished for a false balance sheet. Their view was that Mr Wright was merely a gambler, speculating with other people's money, like scores of company promoters of lesser repute. It is not within the province nor within the competency of the State to prevent speculation. It is scarcely even the duty of a government to prevent people from gambling with their money; but the concoction of a balance sheet, with sham assets and non-existent securities, is not speculation but swindling, and the public has a right to be protected from the astute swindler who cheats from the shelter of a board of guinea-pig directors.

Accident on Whale Island.

A serious accident occurred on the 1st ult. on Whale Island, the Naval Gunnery Headquarters at Portsmouth. A party were employed in transferring a 9.2 gun weighing 22 tons, from the Pier Head to a lighter which was lying alongside, when the engine of the crane collapsed. Pieces of metal from it were hurled in all directions, a cloud of steam burst forth, and the gun fell from the head of the crane into the lighter over which it was suspended. A leading stoker, named George E. Williams, and a stoker named Edward G. H. Parnell, who had been employed at the crane, received very serious injuries, and they were removed to the Royal Naval Hospital, Haslar, where Williams succumbed during the evening. Some other men of the party were struck by falling pieces of metal, but escaped with trifling hurts. The cause of the accident has not been made public.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from Stonecutters' Island on the 9th and 11th instant, in a South-Westerly direction at ranges from 600 to 2,000 yards, on the 9th inst., and from 600 to 4,000 yards, on the 11th inst., and from Lyemun Sub-District (Sywan and Pakshawan Batteries) on the 12th inst., in the direction of the entrance to Junk Bay at ranges from 600 to 4,000 yards.

If the weather is unfavourable on either of the above dates, Practice will take place on the 14th March.

Practice will commence at 9 a.m. on the 9th and 11th, and at 9.30 a.m. on the 12th, and end at 11 a.m. daily, if the range is clear.

By Command,
A. M. THOMSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, March 2, 1904. 424

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 10th March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th inst., to the 10th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 10, 1904. 280

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No 2, Connaught Road, at 12.15 P.M., on THURSDAY, the 10TH MARCH, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 10th MARCH, both days inclusive.

R. J. MACGOWAN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, February 23, 1904. 354

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the COMPANY, No. 4, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, on SATURDAY, the 19th March, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to Elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 5th to 19th of March (both days inclusive).

J. WHEELEY.
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 3, 1904. 421

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th until 10th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 1, 1904. 401

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

SEVENTH ATHLETIC MEETING.

BY Kind Permission of H.E. The Officer Administering the Government, the above Sports will be held under the Rules of the AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION on MONDAY the 4th APRIL, on the Ground of the Hongkong Football Club (kindly lent for the purpose) at Happy Valley.

Entry Forms and List of Events may be had from the Steward of the Club, Kowloon, or the Undersigned, c/o Messrs GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Entries CLOSE on MONDAY, the 28th March, at 5 P.M.

HAROLD C. AUSTEN,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, February 29, 1904. 394

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 13, 1904. 301

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H.M. Victualling Yard,
Hongkong, March 4, 1904. 431

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General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, March 8:—
10 a.m.—Auction of Sundry Naval Obsolete and Condemned Stores, at H.M. Naval Yard.
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 6, Granville Avenue, Kowloon.

WEDNESDAY, March 9:—
Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd., in the Hongkong Hotel.
9 p.m.—Farewell Candutti Concert in St Andrew's Hall.
9. a.m.—Military Gun Practice.

THURSDAY, March 10:—
11.30 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Fire Insurance Co., Ld., at the Company's Office.
12.15 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld., at the Company's Offices.
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 1904.

PROTESTANT Christendom is on the eve of an event fraught with instructiveness and significance that are little short of world-wide. To-morrow is 'Bible Sunday;' in other words, a day of thanksgiving, celebration and commemoration on behalf of the Bible Society. This great Society came into existence on March 7, 1804, and is, therefore, on the point of completing one hundred years of Scripture distribution. It would, we think, be safe to affirm that no human institution has ever conferred obligations greater than those under which mankind has been placed by the British and Foreign Bible Society. There are benefits that too easily become 'benefits forgot,' especially by persons who are prone to underestimate the potency of ideas and ideals. During the past century, the Bible has been filling the world with ideas and ideals that 'make for righteousness' and inspire to 'fair deeds of charity.' Where the Bible is, where it has an assured place in the life of a people, there is the grand dynamic to uplift humanity and carry it forward to its final goal.

To appreciate rightly the work of the Bible Society the end and aim of its great enterprise must be kept in view. It seeks to bring the knowledge of the Bible to every man by placing a copy of the book within his reach. That is to say, it does not aim at distribution merely, its methods of distribution assume that careful use of the Bible is needed, if the book is to do good. Broadly speaking, its methods of circulation have been framed with a view to selection. Books are sold at less than cost price, the charge in different parts of the world being determined, as nearly as possible, by the ability of people to pay. With the inauguration of the British and Foreign Bible Society a century ago, there dawned a new era of the multplication of Scriptures, 'without note or comment' and 'throughout the world' were its watchwords. It further sought to give to 'all friends of the Bible in every part of the Christian Church an opportunity of co-operating in its distribution.' These were its distinctive features as contrasted with the older Societies which were working long before the close of the 18th century. We may instance the 'Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge,' founded in 1698, the 'Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts,' which dates from the year 1701, and the 'Bible Society,' afterwards called the 'Naval and Military Society,' which was begun in 1780. These and other earlier societies did not contemplate the universal distribution of the Scripture, nor did they seek the co-operation of evangelical Christians of every name. The founders of the British and Foreign Bible Society, believing then that the Scriptures, as the Revelation of God, were intended for all, determined to render them, as far as possible, accessible to all. These were the men of living faith and earnest philanthrophy who, on Wednesday, March 7, 1804, met in London to establish the Society. They numbered three hundred, and they represented many sections of the Christian Church. Among them was Mr Granville Sharp, the philanthropist who thirty years before had obtained the famous decision that slavery cannot exist in Great Britain. He was elected Chairman of this meeting in the London Tavern, where the resolutions embodying the general form and constitution of the Society were adopted. It was Mr Granville Sharp who, by his gift of thirty-nine volumes, was the first contributor to that marvellous collection of Scriptures in many languages now on view at the Bible House. Another great philanthropist, William Wilberforce, had already played a prominent part in the history of the movement that led up to the founder's meeting. In the preliminary transactions connected with the advocacy of the scheme for universal Bible distribution, the names of Charles, of Bala, Joseph Hughes, and Wilberforce are associated. The secret of success at the outset lay in the fact that these men and their associates were thoroughly imbued with the spirit of the book which they sought to circulate. The continued advance and prosperity of the Society during an entire century is due to the circumstance that there have never been wanting worthy successors of the first founders.

In stating its relations with already existing organisations for the distribution of the Scriptures the new society proposed to add its endeavours to theirs for circulating the Scriptures throughout the British dominions, and it further proposed, according to its ability, to extend its influence to other countries whether Christian, Mohammedan or Pagan. How nobly these purposes and proposals have been carried into effect will be told to-morrow in the hearing of countless thousands gathered together in the churches of Christendom. It is, we observe, officially intimated that King Edward and Queen Alexandra will be present on Bible Sunday at St. Paul's Cathedral, when a sermon on behalf of the Society will be preached by the Archbishop of Canterbury. The Lord Mayor, Sheriffs and Corporation of London are to attend the service in state. From John O'Groats to Land's End, all sections of our Church-going population in the homeland are bent on keeping the Bible Society Festival. In the Colonies, there is the like meaning of intention. We learn that the leading representatives of Churches, Episcopalian and Non-Episcopalian, throughout the King's dominions have cordially responded to join in the Festival of Commemoration. In Hongkong, all Protestant Churches, European and Chinese, are co-operating in the celebration. These facts are eloquent and convincing testimony to the catholicity and to the world-wide work of the British and Foreign Bible Society. Looking back over its history during the century, marking the lines on which its activities have been conducted, and noting the universality that it has attained to-day, we cannot but rejoice that it has enlisted 'the sympathy of all Protestant Churches in the organisation of a world-wide thanksgiving.'

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Cricket.

In the match against the Hongkong C. C. to-day, the Navy scored 194 (G. Moore, capt., 62; Mahon 32).

Hongkong Christian Union.

On account of the public meeting in connexion with the Centenary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, there will be no prayer meeting on Monday evening.

Special Sermons.

On Sunday, March 6th Special Sermons will be preached and Special Collections will be made in St. John's Cathedral on behalf of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The preachers will be the Bishop of Victoria and the Rev. W. T. Southam.

General Kuropatkin.

It was stated in St. Petersburg, as far back as the middle of January, that in the event of war with Japan, General Kuropatkin, Minister of War, would take command of all the land forces. It was also contemplated that on February 2 merchandise traffic on the Trans-Siberian Railway would be provisionally suspended, in order to leave the line free for the transport of troops and Military stores to the Far East.

Inauguration of New Bells.

The five new bells which arrived here some time ago from Italy for the Roman Catholic Cathedral, will be inaugurated by the blessing of the bells to-morrow, Sunday, the 6th inst., at 4.30 p.m. The Right Rev. Bishop Piazzoli will perform the ceremony. Three of the bells were the gift of Mrs E. L. Rozario, Dr Antonio Gomez, and Francisco Tze Yiat, and the other two were subscribed for by the Chinese Roman Catholic and Portuguese community.

The Dallas Company.

The energetic manner in which the Dallas Company has catered for the amusement of Hongkong's theatre-goers has resulted in well-attended performances. The changes in programme have shown they possess a repertoire of carefully-selected operettas suitable for the popular taste. Last night 'The Messenger Boy' was essayed for the first time in Hongkong, and although the Company has been more successful in previous comedies, their representation was very good. Miss Walter's 'Rag-time' dance was very well rendered and received, and Miss Desmond's song was very amusing. The ever-popular 'Maisy' was one of the gems of the evening, being several times encored. Mr Percival Knight took the lead as 'The Messenger Boy,' and threw much vitality into the character; his frivolities kept the house merry while he occupied the stage. Mr Duncan Munro made an ideal 'Hooker Pasha,' and Mr Frank Coolwine was in excellent voice. His rendering of the Bedduin Love Song was one of the hits of the night, and he was vociferously recalled. During the second act Miss Blanche Garbette showed her mastery over the violin in an excellent solo. On being recalled she gave an exquisite interpretation of Raff's Cavatina, probably the most fastidious piece was ever heard here. The Messenger Boy' will be repeated to-night.

TELEGRAMS.

['CHINA MAIL'S' SPECIAL SERVICE.]

THE FIFTH TEST MATCH.

Brilliant Start by Australia.

MELBOURNE, March 5.

The fifth test match was commenced to-day, the Australians winning the toss. The wicket was good. Trumper batted brilliantly for 88 and Hopkins played a vigorous innings for 30 not out. Scores:—

Trumper	88
Duff	9
Hill	16
Noble	29
Gehrs	3
McAlister, not out	27
Hopkins, not out	30
Extras	4
Five wickets for ...	216

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

The German Mail of the 3rd February was delivered in London on the 3rd March.

The Far Eastern Press Association states that Vladivostock is blockaded at sea and besieged on shore.

Prince Heinrich, the youngest son of Prince Heinrich of Prussia, died on the 26th February, aged four years.

The appointment of the Hon. Gershom Stewart as a member of the Medical Board, vice Mr Edward Osborne, is gazetted.

In the *Government Gazette* appears a notice appointing Mr James Orange a member of the Authorised Architects' Committee in place of Mr R. K. Leigh.

A Chefoo telegram, issued by the Far Eastern Press Association, says that the Russians are preparing to abandon Port Arthur, and that the Vladivostock garrison will also be withdrawn to Harbin.

The King and Lord Roberts.

An Army Order from the King thanks Lord Roberts for his valuable services to the Empire, and asks all ranks to profit by the example of his illustrious career and single-minded devotion to his Sovereign and country.

The Trade of Natal.

The exports from Natal for 1904 show a decrease of 27.5 per cent. as compared with 1902. The imports amounted to £15,065,554, an increase of 13.1 per cent. The increase in British imports, however, was only 3.7 per cent.; while German imports increased 44.8 and American 42.7 per cent.

A Fatal Fall.

Yesterday afternoon a shipwright from H.M.S. *Glory*, named Sciller or Stallard, fell over the balcony of the Naval Canteen. He was picked up, but life was found to be extinct, and the police were informed. Inspector Collett, of Wanchai Station, had the body conveyed to the public mortuary.

The Russian Refugees.

On Monday it is expected that final arrangements for the transfer of the Russian refugees to a merchant steamer will be concluded. The wounded officer, Midshipman Gutsiune, has been removed to the Government Civil Hospital. It is likely that he will regain partial use of his leg, sufficient for the ordinary usage of life.

Departure of Admiral Grenet.

The Italian Admiral, who arrived here a few day ago, left by the German Mail steamer *Preussen* on March 3 for Nagasaki, where here will join his flagship, the *Vettor Pisani*. He made the customary calls while he was in the port.—The *Vettor Pisani* is an armoured cruiser of 6,500 tons displacement, with an indicated horse power of 13,000. She was built in 1895, at Castellamare. Her armour consists of a 6 inch H. S. belt with 1½ inch deck plating and 6 inches H. S. over gun positions. She has a heavy armament which consists of twelve 6 inch Q. F., six 4.7 inch, two 2.9 inch, ten 2.2 1.4 inch, ten inch and two maxim guns.

A Contemptuous Russian General.

A telegram from Paris, dated January 29, is published by *The Standard* to the following effect:—At the present moment a large number of Russian officers and other personages are staying at the health resorts on the Riviera. A representative of the *Patrie* has interviewed some of them. General Schekarasine, now staying at the Villa Toula at Mentone, said that in his opinion there were ninety-five chances in a hundred in favour of the maintenance of peace, because the Japanese are not sufficiently powerful to engage in a really serious struggle with Russia, even were they to be supported by England and the United States. As for the pretensions that the Japanese could land two hundred thousand men on the coast of the Gulf of Pechili, there were not sufficient vessels in the Chinese seas to effect that operation. He added, 'As for the Japanese Fleet, even united with those of England and the United States, what could the ironclads do beyond the range of their guns in the presence of the immense resources of Russia on land? Moreover, Russia would not be alone. In face of a coalition of that sort, France would be obliged to support us unless she wished to allow Japan later on to conquer China, commencing by the conquest of Annam and Tonkin, in accord with England and Siam. A Russian defeat in the Far East would have as an immediate consequence the loss of your Indo-Chinese Colonial Empire.—Our readers will note the alleged triumph of General Schekarasine to arouse French sympathy for Russia's interest.

TELEGRAMS.

['CHINA MAIL'S' EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]
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THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COREA.

Japanese Official Takes Charge.

LONDON, March 4.

Viscount Aoki proceeds to Corea on an important mission connected with the reform of the internal administration of the Corean Empire.

OPPOSING FORCES IN COREA.

The Japanese Army in Motion.

Generas Pflug reports that on March 2 the Japanese occupied Pingyang, in Corea. A force of 6,000 Infantry and 200 Cavalry entered the town, which is strongly fortified. The force is being daily reinforced by troops brought by sea from Fusan to Chinampo.

The despatch adds that a force of 2,500 Japanese, withoutartillery, landed at Songchin, in Plaksin Bay, and are now marching to Macourchan in Southern Manchuria.

It is also reported that a strong force is converging upon Port Arthur.

[Chinampo (or Chiunampo) is a town at the entrance to Taitong Bay, on the west coast of Corea, and is about 50 miles distant from Pingyang, in a south-westerly direction. Songchin (or Syongchin) is the principal port on the north-east coast of Corea, about 140 miles south of Vladivostock.—ED., *C.M.*]

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE WAR.

LONDON, March 3.

The Russian torpedo-boats which recently left Port Said for Algiers have returned to Port Said, alleging bad weather.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR MALTA.

It is stated that 2,000 additional troops are going to Malta, it is supposed with a view of proceeding to China in the event of necessity arising.

CRICKET.

LONDON, March 3.

England won the fourth test match at Sydney by 157 runs.

THE DREYFUS CASE.

The rehearing of the Dreyfus case has commenced in the *Court de Cassation*. The French public is entirely unconcerned.

THE WAR.

Reuter's correspondent at Seoul wires that the Russians are hastily constructing a fortress and extensive earthworks at Antung to obstruct the passage of the Yalu by the Japanese.

THE WAR.

Possible Mediation of Great Britain.

Der Ostasiatische Lloyd published the following telegram from Berlin, dated 26th February:—

The Vienna *Freie Presse* explains the journey of M. Cambon, the French Ambassador in London to Paris, and of Count Benckendorff, the Russian Ambassador in London, to St. Petersburg, as caused through the intention of the British Government to mediate in the Far East.

GERMAN CRUISER 'HERTHA'

Arrival of Prince Adalbert.

The German second class cruiser *Hertha* arrived about 10 a.m. to-day, having on board His Excellency Prince Adalbert of Russia, third son of Emperor William of Germay. It will be remembered that the Prince arrived in Hongkong on November 25, on the Imperial German mail steamer *Koniq Albert*, and lef ton the following day to join H.I.G.M.S. *Hertha* at Shanghai. He duly arrived at the latter port and entered on his duties as Lieutenant without delay. He is to remain on the China Station for two years, after which he will return to Germany.

The *Hertha* is a second class Cruiser of 5,650 tons displacement, with an indicated horse power of 10,000, and is fitted with Bellovillo boilers. She was built in Stettin and was launched in 1897. Her dimensions are:—length 344 6 feet, beam 57.0 feet, draught 21.8 feet. Her armament consists of two 8 2 inch quick firing, eight 6 inch, ten 3.4 inch, ten 1.4 inch and four maxim guns, and she has three submerged torpedo tubes.

She is capable of making a speed of 20 knots, and her complement is 440.

BIBLE SOCIETY CENTENARY.

The following letter has been published by the Bishop of Victoria:—

Sunday, 6th March, 1904, is the last day of the 100th year of the British and Foreign Bible Society. It has therefore been decided, so far as possible, to observe that day as a universal 'Bible Sunday,' for 'Special Commemoration, to quote the words of the Archbishop of Canterbury, 'of the blessings conferred upon the world by the free circulation of the Holy Scriptures in the vernacular languages.'

To promote this end special sermons will be preached in the Churches of this Colony on Sunday, 6th March. Two Centenary Meetings, in which the work of the Bible Society will be described, will be held in the City Hall, one for Europeans on Monday 7th March, at 5.30 p.m., one for Chinese on Tuesday, 8th March, at 7.30 p.m.

The sole object of the Society has always been to give to all men the Word of God in languages they can understand. Its work during the Century has been bountifully owned and blessed of God. The Scriptures have been rendered into about 370 languages, largely through the Society's efforts, and over 180,000,000 volumes have been circulated.

I earnestly hope that all those in the Colony who are interested in the spread of the Gospel will heartily take part in a celebration which is of unique interest in the progress of the Kingdom of God.

J. C. HOOPER,
St. Paul's College,
Hongkong, 24th Feb., 1904.

JAPAN'S FLEET IN BEING.

PROBABLE INVESTMENT OF PORT ARTHUR.

The Situation in Japan.

(*From Our Special War Correspondent.*)

TOKIO, February 12.

Though the correspondents have been prevented so far from seeing actual warfare, they have been able to learn much of the inner workings of Japanese departments, and have been afforded an insight into the character of the man who has so ably dealt with the country's affairs at this extraordinary juncture. And the contact they have had with these Japanese has increased their admiration and respect for them, and brought home with powerful force the truth of the old proverb which says that a still tongue maketh a wise head. Therein lies much of the secret of Japan's success. She has acted and said nothing to forewarn those against whom she was directing her energies. When the question at issue between her and Russia was within the bounds of peace, Japan was courteous, considerate and forbearing, though withal she was firm. Every chance was given Russia to amend her ways and act straight and true, and even at the last moment when Japan decided to break off negotiations she set out her statement so free from the ornate language which characterises eastern documents, that Russia could read easily between the lines and gather that if she did not keep to her word and withdraw from Manchuria, she would be compelled to do so at the bayonet's point. She, however, showed no desire to avert the calamity which has now fallen, and, losing the opportunity for maintaining the peace she so often professed she desired, Japan declared war and pricked a bubble that the rest of the world has been waiting to see burst for many years though afraid themselves to use the pin upon it.

In the declaration of war, Japan again showed the stuff of which she is made, producing a plain-spoken and scholarly document. Her appeal to the loyalty and valour of her men was such as went straight home to their hearts, and since their trust and confidence in their leaders is equal to the belief they have that their cause is right, there need be no fear of Japan's honour suffering in the field. As in her diplomatic dealings her tongue was kept with masterly control between her teeth. So it was when the necessity arose for strong and vigorous action with arms. Scarcely anyone knew that war was to be declared when it was upon them. Japan determined that her first blow should be one that would be remembered, and by cautious strategy she so successfully administered it that the Russian ships were caught unprepared, and were so roughly handled at Chemulpo and Port Arthur that their power as a world's naval combination was practically nullified. Russia's prestige in the Orient was ripped from her in one night, and the curtain of bluff was rudely pulled aside, exposing to the gaze of the whole world her weakness, ineptitude and utter imbecility. Even her officers, who should have been wide awake, knowing, as they must have known, that the death shock of war would soon be upon them, did not deem it necessary to abstain from worldly pleasures, and when the silent torpedoers of Japan were wreaking havoc amongst the stately ships of Russia, the officers were amusing themselves at a circus on shore. That is just an exemplification of what has often been said of Russian unpreparedness, and the question now is, is a similar laxity going to be found amongst those who have charge of the field forces?

Unfortunately the action of the Japanese Government in refusing to allow correspondents to go to the front has prevented definite news of the engagements being circulated, and all that can be done here at any rate is to conjecture things, which is as futile as it is unsatisfactory. Amongst high officials like the Minister for War and Minister for Foreign Affairs, there seems to be general satisfaction, and though there are countless stories of the fight in circulation, it is almost safe to assume that Japan thinks she has an easy task on hand to dispose of the rest of the Russian fleet. Certainly Russia has not shown any brilliancy yet, and the manner in which her ships were handled demonstrated plainly that the officers lacked initiative and did not possess much knowledge of the elements of strategy.

At first it was reported that the whole of the Port Arthur fleet had been wiped out, but time gradually filed down the story until we are now uncertain just how the losses go. At Chemulpo, Rear-Admiral Uryu has guaranteed the absolute destruction of the warships *Varyag* and *Koreetz* and the steamer *Sungari*, but no definite statement with regard to Port Arthur has yet come out. The battleships *Retvizin*, the flagship of Admiral Stark, and *Cesarevitch* and the cruiser *Pallada* are said to have given up the ghost, but Admiral Alexieff denies that they have. How far Alexieff speaks the truth is doubtful. He is in a singularly bad way at present, and it is freely reported that he is lying in bed suffering the tortures of the damned, owing to the keenness with which he feels the Russian reverse. He is thinking of shifting to Harbin, but it would be better for him, perhaps, if he shifted out of China altogether. The Japanese are awfully tickled at his present sickness, and aver that it has been caused by nothing else but disappointment. It is amusing to watch their faces when his name is mentioned. Alexieff in his early days was credited with being a leader of considerable discernment and resource, but, if the present or past display is a sample of his work, he is wanting in many ways. Since the Port Arthur disaster, he has ordered the Vladivostock squadron to sail for the north of Japan, and already they have sunk a Japanese merchantman there, and have been reported to have turned their guns upon a harmless and undefended fishing village south of Hakodate. This has incensed the Japanese considerably, and they speak bitterly of the barbarity of their foes. The *Jiji*, the leading vernacular newspaper, wrote strongly on the incident, and suggested that perhaps the Russians desired to capture the village in order to secure the babies to roast and eat. Last reports were that the Japanese had sent a torpedo flotilla north to deal with the Russians, and though the secret has been well kept, nothing confirmatory has yet leaked out.

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the Yalu, where over 100,000 Russians are entrenched and on the defensive. The investment of Port Arthur is the next big success expected, and all correspondents here are hoping to be able to see it. Port Arthur has been in the hands of the Japanese once before, and they do not have the slightest hesitation in saying that they will capture it again without trouble. As a matter of fact, they have a supreme contempt for Russian soldiery in general and Russian leadership in particular, and one officer has already declared that the fighting of the Chinese navy was more difficult than the recent set-to with the Russian. That says very little indeed for the manipulation of Russian's modern armament.

The most important local event of the past few days was the departure of Baron and Baroness Rosen, the Russian Minister and his wife, the former of whom has been so prominent of late in representing his country in the negotiations with Japan. By one of those strange freaks of fortune the people here deeply regretted to see the Baron go. He is a man who has succeeded in ingratiating himself into their good opinions, and though there is hatred felt for the Russian in general, for the Baron nothing but kind words are spoken. At the palace, too, he was greatly admired, and the good opinion of the Emperor was significantly shown by the handsome presents which he sent down to the Russian Legation the day before the Baron sailed. At Yokohama, the departing Minister was seen off on the French steamer *Yarra* to-day, and, though I and others strove by every means to get a snapshot of him we all failed signally. The police guarded the parting Russian well, and not even a camera lens could be brought to bear upon him. Of his departure, the whole of the vernacular press were united in expressing regret, but the Tokyo *Ashai* was more profuse than its contemporaries. It wound up a striking eulogy with a strange sentence, and when the feeling towards Russia is remembered it is worth quoting.

'Let it be hoped,' said the journal, 'that fighting as enemies the two belligerents may yet retain as before the spirit of personal love, and let it be hoped that they may behave towards each other as friends placed on the wrong side.' The *Asahi* evidently meant well, but it certainly got mixed up.

It is also interesting to note locally the beneficent and generous manner in which all classes contribute to the war fund. People of the lowest classes give their sen with as good a grace as the nobility donate their thousands of yen. The war bonds, the first issue of which, amounting to 100,000,000 yen, is about to be made, will be fully subscribed, the Peers of the realm themselves taking 60,000,000 between them, whilst three or four banks will take up 30,000,000 yen's worth. That leaves a paltry ten million for others, and there are bound to be numerous applicants. In every way possible, the people appear to be exerting themselves to assist the Government, and great credit is indeed due to the Press for its attitude of silence during the late stages of the negotiations. The Government, of course, applied the gag to a certain extent, but that was only done in order to suppress some of the lower and irresponsible journals. The leading papers were heart and soul with the Cabinet and were prepared to shut up altogether if it was necessary to do so to secure success in the negotiations or initial preparations for war. This is a striking feature of the Japan of to-day, and is what has probably made more than anything else for the progress of the nation since it threw off the shackles of feudalism half-a-century or so ago. Referring to the war fund contributions reminds me of a small incident which was given publicity a day or so ago. A little boy attending school wrote a letter to the authorities enclosing a few yen. This is, he wrote, the money father gave me when I won prizes at school. I have saved it up and now give it hoping that Japan will have as much success in the war as I had in my prize getting. The youthful loyalist has been held up as an example to others, and no doubt he will find numerous emulators.

To sum up, the whole situation as it appears at the time of the closing of this letter, one cannot help feeling that with Japan is the biggest chance of success. Her initial knock at the Russian door is one which will be remembered, for, in addition to exploding a fallacy, she has practically put up a world's record for rapidity of successful action. In 48 hours, she had landed 100,000 men in Korea, in 82 she had sunk two formidable Russian battleships, captured three transports and 500 men, and within four days had crippled Russia's Oriental fleet. This without losing a vessel and with but few casualties amongst her men. In addition to that, she has shown herself to be as humane and generous as any white nation could be, and has adopted a line of conduct in every respect which must commend itself to every neutral nation under the sun. With adherence to such a course, Japan cannot fail to win to herself the sympathy of all the world, and, hand in hand with that sympathy, must come the hope that she will crush the ruthless barbarian who has for so many years held a flaming sword over the head of Europe.

W. H. DONALD.

GEO. FENWICK AND CO., LIMITED.

The Directors have now to submit to the Shareholders a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The Net Profit for the year amounts to $31,071,27, to which has to be added $8,096.68 brought forward from last year's account. After payment of Directors and Auditor, it is proposed to pay a dividend of 15 per cent., or $24,500 to Shareholders; to transfer to Reserve Fund $5,000; and to carry forward $10,517.95 to next year's account.

The Works have been fully employed during the year, and the Machinery and Launches are in good order.

Directors.—Mr W. Parlane resigned on his leaving the Colony last May. Mr Hart-Buck was invited to join the Board in his place; he now resigns as he is leaving the Colony shortly, and Mr W. Parlane has consented to re-join the Board. This appointment requires to be confirmed at this Meeting.

Auditor.—The accounts have been audited by Mr Thomas Arnold, who offers himself for re-election.

A. ROPER, Chairman.

Hongkong, 29th February, 1904.

Masonic Quadrille Club.

The Masonic Quadrille Club held their final ball of the season last night, and it proved to be a highly successful and delightful function. The Masonic Hall was gaily decorated in the interior for the occasion, and the various ante rooms were nicely arranged for their various purposes. The committee of the Quadrille Club have made the dances renowned in Hongkong, and, in particular, the ex-secretary, Mr G. W. King, deserves a word of praise. The patrons of the Club will eagerly await the opening next season.

THE NEW ARMY SCHEME.

Section II.—Army Council.

In Section I. of our Report, we have made recommendations in regard to the Defence Committee, to which we attach extreme importance. The focussing of the higher policy of the defence of the Empire can, in our opinion, be vested only in this Committee, over which the Prime Minister presides. We can conceive no other means of providing the Cabinet with the information and advice in regard to the general preparations for war which are at all times required to be maintained, or which may at any moment be needed to meet special circumstances unexpectedly arising, and of watching Naval and Military expenditure so as to ensure that it is consistent with the conditions which his Majesty's Government may desire to enforce.

2. We have, therefore, after full consideration, come to the conclusion that our wisest course was to deal first with the supreme direction of the national policy of defence, then to report upon the superior administration of the War Office, and later to make specific recommendations as to the details of the distribution of duties and of responsibilities between the heads of branches.

3. At the outset of our inquiry it was necessary to decide whether formal evidence should be taken. After discussion, we determined that it was undesirable to add to the enormous volume of evidence already available. We consequently decided to take counsel with all the high officials, Military and Civil, whose views and experience could throw light upon our investigations, but not to record their evidence. We have thus obtained expressions of opinion given with complete freedom, which have been of great value to us in forming the conclusions embodied in our Report.

4. We are directed, by the terms of our Reference, to take the Admiralty system of higher administration as the basis of our action, and we are convinced that, while there may be imperfections in the working of that system, it is absolutely sound in principle. It has been handed down without material change from the period of great Naval wars. It may be said to have been founded on the proved requirements of war; and although it has not in recent times been put to the supreme test, it has smoothly and successfully met new demands as they have arisen, including an enormous increase of *personnel* and *materiel*. It conforms closely to the arrangements under which the largest private industries are conducted. Finally, it has retained the confidence of the Navy and of the nation.

5. This cannot be said of the War Office, where great changes have been frequent, and stability of administration has never been attained. The complex system which prevailed at the time of the Crimean campaign broke down completely under the stress of war after bringing the nation to the verge of disaster. The changes that followed were important, and in some respects beneficial. The conception of a War Office for dealing with the whole business of the Army dates from 1855; but a dual system, involving great disadvantages, prevailed till 1870. Subsequent changes of greater or less moment were introduced by successive Secretaries of State, and have been traced in some detail by the various bodies which have reported upon the War Office. We do not propose to recapitulate those changes. It suffices to state that no public department has been so frequently examined or so scathingly criticised by Commissions and Committees as the War Office.

6. Since the partial reconstruction effected with a view to remedy the evils rendered obvious by the experience of the Crimea, there has been nothing of the nature of organic change in the system of War Office administration. Some of the recommendations of the numerous inquiring bodies have from time to time been selected for acceptance without any due regard to the necessary drawbacks of dealing with administrative reform in piecemeal fashion; but when, in 1890, the Hartington Commission urged a drastic measure of reorganisation, nothing was done. It has followed that the War Office has been subjected to successive tinkering processes, by which improvements in minor matters may occasionally have been accomplished, but which left great principles entirely out of sight.

7. Meanwhile, during a period of immunity from real stress, when the provision of relatively small expeditionary forces to operate against unorganised and ill-armed peoples has been the principal occupation of the War Office, apart from its multifarious duties of purely peace routine, primary needs have escaped due recognition. The experience of the South African campaign has clearly shown that the system of administration prevailing was not adapted to the requirements of war, and an examination of the methods and regulations of the War Office strengthens the impression that the real object for which this Department of State exists—the preparation of the Military forces of the Crown for war—has not been attained.

8. The relations of the Secretary of State to the Military heads of the War Office are not such as to enable him to discharge his duties to the best advantage. The centralisation of a vast number of incongruous functions in the Commander-in-Chief results in the neglect of work of primary importance. The War Office, as was pointed out by the Hartington Commission, has no thinking department, and the branches concerned with preparations for a campaign and with the collection of necessary information are weak, and not sufficiently in touch with the Secretary of State. At the same time, the duties and the responsibilities of the Military heads are ill-defined, and their relations to each other and to the Secretary of State are not such as effective administration demands. No distinction between policy and routine work exists, and the Military heads, absorbed in work with which they ought to have nothing to do, have no time for the proper consideration of questions of real importance, or for exercising foresight and initiative. Leaving out of consideration numerous minor flaws in the machine, the above conditions alone fully suffice to account for evils ramifying through the whole structure of the Army, and rendering it inefficient for war. No scheme of reconstruction can be worthy of the acceptance of his Majesty's Government unless it provides substantial and permanent guarantees against the continuance of these conditions.

9. The Hartington Commission stated (§ 32) that 'the complete responsibility to Parliament and the country of the Secretary of State for the discipline, as well as for the administration, of the Army must now be accepted as definitely established.' At the same time, it was premised that, in practice, 'the responsibility of the Secretary of State appears to be still, in some respects, less real than that of the First Lord of the Admiralty. It is now clear from the evidence given before the War Commission that real power has been divorced from responsibility, with results injurious to the Military advisers of the Secretary of State, and fatal to his authority with his colleagues in the Cabinet.

10. We consider that, as a first step in the reconstruction of the War Office, the position of the Secretary of State should be placed on precisely the some footing as that of the First Lord of the Admiralty, and that all submissions to the Crown in regard to Military questions should be made by him alone.

11. The next step is the constitution of a Board, or as we prefer to call it, as 'Army Council,' following the general principles which obtain at the Admiralty.

12. The Council should consist of seven members—four Military and three civil—with the Permanent Under Secretary as Secretary.

13. We reserve for further investigation and consideration the distribution in precise detail of the duties of the members of the Council.

14. We attach great importance to a scientific grouping of these duties, and we propose in a future Section of our Report to deal with the subdivision of work under Directors of Sections subordinate to the Members of Council, and to make other recommendations in regard to matters affecting Military administration. We shall further make recommendations for developing and extending the principle of decentralisation by the transfer of certain functions from the War Office to the Executive Commandors of the Army. We believe, however, that it is essential that a council should be constituted with the last possible delay. We understand that the principle has been definitely accepted by his Majesty's Government, and we urge that immediate action to this end should be taken. It is necessary, for the further prosecution of our work, that the members of the new Army Council should be appointed forthwith, to enable us to consult with them in regard to the further proposals which we have under consideration.

15. Speaking broadly, the distribution of duties must be as follows:—

A.—Secretary of State.

B.—1st Military Member.—Military Policy in all its branches, War Staff duties, Intelligence, Mobilisation, Plans of Operations, Training, Military History, Higher Education, War Regulations.

C.—2nd Military Member.—Recruiting, Pay, Discipline, Rewards, Peace Regulations.

D.—3rd Military Member.—Supply, Clothing, Remounts, Transport.

E.—4th Military Member.—Armaments and Fortifications.

F.—Civil Member.—The Parliamentary Under Secretary of State. Civil business other than Finance.

G.—Civil Member.—The Financial Secretary.—Finance, Audit, Accounting, Estimates.

16. Or, summarising the grouping would be:—

A.—Minister responsible to the Crown and to Parliament. B.—Operations of war. C.—Personnel. D.—Supply. E.—Armament. F.—Civil business. G.—Finance.

17. New measures demand new men, and we therefore attach special importance to the immediate appointment of Military members who have not hitherto been closely connected with existing methods, and are, therefore, not likely to be embarrassed by the traditions of a system which is to be radically changed. Fresh minds will thus be brought to bear upon the work of the Council, and the new principles of administration will be smoothly inaugurated. Failing this action, which could not be regarded as conveying any possible reflection upon the distinguished Generals now holding high offices, we see no hope that the reconstitution of the War Office will be a reality.

18. It was recognised, both by the Hartington Commission and by the members of the War Commission who signed the Minority Report, that the high office of Commander-in-Chief, as hitherto defined, is inconsistent with the principle of the administration of the Army by the Secretary of State and a Board or Council. Attempts to combine the administrative and executive functions of the Army have led to confusion, to reduplication of work, to expense, to dual control, to divided responsibility, and ultimately to the conditions revealed in the evidence taken before the Royal Commission on the South African War. As an executive commander of an Army scattered over Great Britain and Ireland, over Europe and Africa, such an officer is an anomaly, and by the light of experience a mistake. On the other hand, a general officer commanding in Ireland, or South Africa, in the Mediterranean, at Aldershot, or in Scotland, has a position clearly defined to which the duties and functions of an executive officer can be properly assigned. For the exercise of effective action, the sphere of the Commander-in-Chief, as at present understood, is far too wide; while for administrative purposes, he may be sometimes not the most efficient, and sometimes too fine an instrument. In order to secure effective control, a Commander should be in constant touch with the units of his command. Owing to the wide extent of the King's Dominions, this necessary condition cannot be fulfilled by a Commander-in-Chief, and even in Germany—a homogeneous empire—executive command, in time of peace, has been completely decentralised. We, therefore, consider that it is imperative to abolish the office of Commander-in-Chief, which was only revived as late as 1887, and we urge the divorce of administration from executive command, and the decentralisation of the latter.

19. Theoretically the Commander-in-Chief was held to be the Inspecting Officer of the Military Forces of the Crown, but this duty could not be performed by reason of the vast number of administrative functions concentrated upon that officer. If the conditions which obtained before the South African War had been brought to the knowledge of the Secretary of State and the Cabinet, on the high authority of an experienced General Officer, known to be independent of the administrative work of the War Department, and specially charged with the duty of reporting on actual facts, many evils could have been averted. A measured Report upon facts by one who was not concerned without administration must carry more weight than the conflicting demands, and sometimes the conflicting statements, of those engaged in the art of persuading financial authorities in the War Office and at the Treasury to increase the total of the Estimates. We shall hereafter recommend the appointment of an Inspector General whose sole function would be to report upon actual facts, without expressing opinions upon policy, and who should, therefore, be located outside the War Office. He should be appointed by the Crown, on the recommendation of the Secretary of State, and his appointment should be for five years.

20. The other high offices which would disappear under the proposed reconstitution are those of the Inspector General of Fortifications and of the Military Secretary. The duties of the first will be combined with those of the Armaments Branch. We shall later make detailed proposals for dealing with the functions now exercised by the Military Secretary.

21. We also defer to a later stage but recommendations as regards the important questions affecting the relations between the Auxiliary Forces and the War Office.

22. In appointing the members of the Army Council no consideration except that of special fitness for the duties involved, should arise. It will not be necessary to appoint an officer of high rank who has shown capacity for field command to a purely administrative office such as D or E; nor need there be a bar to the appointment of an officer of any rank to any post at the War Office if he possesses the necessary qualifications, experience, and intellectual capacity. We consider that the question of Military rank can be allowed to remain in abeyance among members of the Council. They will have official titles and fixed salaries during their period of office, and they will be practically in the position of the Lords of the Admiralty. This would have the advantage that any member of the Council could afterwards revert to any post outside the War Office suitable to his Military rank without, as now, being restricted to a few appointments of the highest class.

23. While we are strongly of opinion that immense improvement can be effected in the War Office and in the Army, by reconstructing the administrative machine on sound principles, we are well aware that the personal qualifications of the individual members of the Council must be factors of great importance. Men of exceptional ability can obtain fair results from a bad system, but under a good system, personal shortcomings produce the minimum of disadvantage, and they are, moreover, easily detected. It is of the essence of a bad system that mediocrity or worse is effectively shielded.

24. The appointment of the Military members of the Army Council should follow exactly the long-established practice of the Admiralty. The election of the Military subordinates in each branch should be made by the Secretary of State upon the sole recommendation of the responsible member of Council.

25. As regards the legal aspects of the constitution of the Army Council, we have received a memorandum prepared by the Parliamentary Counsel; which makes it clear that this Council can be 'constituted under the prerogative by letters patent,' the distribution of business being subsequently provided for by Order in Council. The terms of the War Office Patent could follow those of the Admiralty Patent *mutatis mutandis*. It may hereafter be necessary to obtain Statutory authority for the transfer to the Army Council of the powers now vested in the Secretary of State by virtue of Statutory enactments.

26. As stated, we are convinced that the first step in reconstruction should be taken forthwith by constituting the new Council.

ESHER.
J. A. FISHER.
G. S. CLARKE.

G. F. ELLISON, Secretary,
January 11, 1904.

(To be Continued.)

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

General Meeting.

The thirty-fifth ordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, was held at noon, to-day, at the offices of the general managers, Messrs Jardine, Matheson and Company, Pedder Street.

The Hon. C. W. Dickson was in the chair, and there were also present Sir Paul Chater, Messrs J. H. Lewis, F. Maitland, A. J. Raymond (Directors); F. D. Goddard, J. R. Michael, S. J. Michael, W. Parlane, Ho Fook, G. McK. Ross, G. H. Potts, J. J. Leiria, Captain W. E. Clarke, R. C Wilcox, T. Arnold, H. C. Gotla, P. Tester and G. T. Veitch (Secretary).

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—

With your permission we will adopt the usual custom, and take the report and accounts which have been in your possession since the 19th February, as read. The final outturn of the 1902 account is disappointing. Since our last Meeting fires have been numerous, and the balance at credit of working account on 31st December 1902, $299,299.15, is reduced to $195,396.52, somewhat less than last year. We propose dealing with this amount in the manner stated in the report, viz:—paying a Dividend of $22.50 per share, which will absorb $189,0.0, and adding the balance, $15,396.52 to the Reserve Fund, which will then stand at $1,170,2888, and I trust this appropriation meets with your approval. As regards the 1903 account, you will be pleased to note that the balance on 31st December is in excess of that for the past ten years. Since the accounts were made up losses estimated at about $29,000 have been incurred. I trust, however, the year's risks will run off with not more than an average of losses, and that at our next meeting we shall be able to present you with a more favourable showing than to-day. You will notice in the accounts an item under the headings:—'Japanese Government Deposit'. This represents the equivalent of yen 100,000 demanded by the Japanese Government from all Insurance Companies doing business in that country. We had either to comply with that demand, or retire; we decided to continue our business there, and have deposited the requisite sum with the Government. Since the several Bonds were purchased, they have, owing to the War, which unhappily is now going on, somewhat depreciated in value, and it may be necessary to provide for this depreciation in the 1903 account. I do not know of anything I can usefully add, but shall be pleased to answer any questions that may be asked.

There being no questions, the Chairman proposed that the report and accounts as presented be adopted,

Mr T. Arnold seconded, and the motion was carried.

The Chairman proposed the re-election of the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Messrs F. Maitland, A. J. Raymond, and J.H. Lewis to the Consulting Committee. On being seconded by Mr. Wilcox, the motion was carried.

Messrs W. Hutton Potts and R. Chatterton Wilcox were re-elected auditors on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Captain Clarke.

The Chairman:—That is all the business; dividend warrants will be ready on Monday and I would ask you to apply at the office for them, as we find that when sent through to Post Office they frequently miscarry.

Austro-Hungarian Consul.

It is notified in the *Government Gazette* that Mr Nicholas Post, Vice-Consul for Austro-Hungary, resumed charge of the Austro-Hungarian Consulate on February 28.

Newchwang Declared Clean.

A notification appears in the *Government Gazette* directing the withdrawal of the proclamation declaring Newchwang to be a port or place at which an infectious or contagious disease prevails.

New Territories Land Court.

The resignation of Mr H. Ho Tung Gomperts and Mr Bruce Shepherd from the positions of President and member of the New Territories Land Court, and the appointment of Mr G Mollyneux Mason and J. R. Wood as members of the same Court, is gazetted.

To-day's Advertisements

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THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Golf Club House, Happy Valley, on MONDAY, the 14th March, at 5 P.M., in accordance with Rule 25 of the Rules of the Club.

E. J. GRIST,
Hon. Secretary,
The Royal Hongkong Golf Club.

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HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of $22.50 per Share for the year ending 31st December 1902, declared at TO-DAY'S ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING, will be Payable at the Premises of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after MONDAY, the 7th Instant, and Hongkong SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply for DIVIDEND WARRANTS at the Company's Offices, PEDDER'S STREET.

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THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM-CO., LD.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 16th March, to SATURDAY, the 19th March, both days inclusive.

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NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 24th MARCH, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

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YAMA, VIA S'HAI, MOJI & KOBE (passing through the INLAND SEA).	*Malacca*, A. F. STREET	About 8th March.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	*Ballarat*, C. R. LONGDEN, R.N.R.	Noon, 12th March.	*See Special Advertisement*
SHANGHAI	*Simla*, F. R. SUMMERS	About 12th March.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA S'PORE, P'ANG, CL'BO, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES	*Borneo*, G. W. GORDON, R.N.R.	About 17th March.	Freight and Passage.

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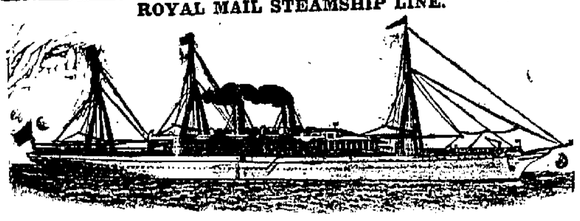
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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMSUI, Via SWATOW, AND AMOY,	*FRITHJOF*, Capt. H. A. HARALDSEN,	SUNDAY, 6th Mar., at 10 a.m.
TAKAO (DIRECT)	*QUARTA*, Capt. H. JOHANNSEN,	MONDAY, 7th Mar., at 4 p.m.
FOOCHOW, Via SWATOW AND AMOY,	*TRIUMPH*, Capt. A. HANSEN,	TUESDAY, 8th March, at 10 a.m.
ANPING, Via SWATOW AND AMOY,	*TRITOS*, Capt. H. KRAFT,	WEDNESDAY, Mar. 9, at 10 a.m.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TELEMACHUS	8th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	NINGCHOW	22nd March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ANTENOR	24th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	COPACK	31st March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	JASON	6th April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	10th April.

The S.S. TELEMACHUS left Singapore on 3rd inst. at Noon, and is due here on 8th inst.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	AJAX	15th March.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	GLAUCUS	1 th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	PALLING	29th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHAON	1 th April.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	IDOMENEUS	20th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	TELEMACHUS	26th April.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
SWATOW, WEI-HAI-WEI & TIENTSIN.	KANSU	10th March.
MANILA	KAIFONG *	11th March.
SHANGHAI	KWANGSE †	11th March.

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Steamers.	Sailing Dates. 1904.
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
HAMBURG *	WEDNESDAY, 13th April.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 25th May.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 8th June.
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY, 22nd June.
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 6th July.

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OLYMPIA *	2897	A. Dixon	April	27.
LYRA †	4417	G. V. William	May	4.
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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
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Hongkong, February 26, 1904. 371

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
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Notices to Consignees.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *VICTORIA*.

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & Co., LTD., *Agents*.

Hongkong, March 4, 1904. 426

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *TREMONT*.

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

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Hongkong, March 4, 1904. 427

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Laisang*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m, the 3rd inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at EAST POINT.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., *General Managers*.

Hongkong, March 1, 1904. 402

INDRA LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Company's Steamship *Indravadi*, having arrived from the above port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 7th March at Noon will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon To-day.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. *Agents*.

Hongkong, February 29, 1904. 384

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship *PREUSSEN*, OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 a.m., To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 9th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 9th instant, at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 14th March, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., *Agents*.

Hongkong, March 3, 1904. 419

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

'GLEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship *Glenlogan*, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 7th March, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the Damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no Claims will be recognised.

McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, February 29, 1904. 385

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship BRAEMAR, Captain S. L. SAXBY, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the WANCHAI STORING Co. at WANCHAI and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th March, will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th March, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN TOMES & CO., *General Agents*.

Hongkong, February 29, 1904. 383

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1902, £16,378,771.

Authorised Capital £3,000,000
Subscribed Capital £2,750,000
Paid-up Capital £687,500 0 0
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Hongkong, June 20, 1903. 1537

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J. R. M. SMITH, *Chief Manager*.

Hongkong, February 24, 1904. 66

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THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, J. R. M. SMITH, *Chief Manager*.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1517

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 117

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

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E. W. RUTTER, *Manager*.

Hongkong, August 13, 1903. 1279

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ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP ... ... „ 18,000,000
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RESERVE FUND ... ... „ 9,210,000
HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

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TARO HODSUMI, *Manager*.

Hongkong, September 11, 1903. 589

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AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID UP ..... £ 562,500
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BANKERS:
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EVAN ORMISTON, *Manager*.

Hongkong, May 26, 1903. 884

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T. P. COCHRANE, *Manager*.

Hongkong, May 19, 1903. 46

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, S'hai Tls. 5,000,000.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

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H. FIGGE, *Manager*.

Hongkong, September 1, 1903 296

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CHARLES R. SCOTT, *Manager*.

Hongkong, December 12, 1903. 161

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Hongkong, February 2, 1904. 216

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Hongkong, September 23, 1903. 34

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Apply to THE SAM WANG CO., LTD.

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Hongkong, February 26, 1904. 372

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Hongkong, February 29, 1904. 395

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Hongkong, March 1, 1904. 405

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Hongkong, February 10, 1904. 285

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

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THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

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A Large Number of PALMS and FLOWERS in Lots.

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HUGHES & HOUGH, *Auctioneers*.

Hongkong, February 27, 1904. 377

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 8th March, 1904, at 10 A.M. H. M. NAVAL YARD,—

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TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

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Hongkong, March 4, 1904. 428

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 8th March, 1904, at 2.45 p.m., at No. 6, GRANVILLE AVENUE, Kowloon,—

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On view from Monday, the 7th March.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT, *Auctioneer*.

Hongkong, March 2, 1904. 414

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from R. T. WRIGHT, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 10th March, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., within his residence No. 10, MACDONNELL ROAD,—

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CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral.

SUNDAY, MARCH 6.

CELEBRATION OF BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY CENTENARY.

Holy Communion (7.30).
Matins (11 a.m.):—Responses, Ferial; Venite, Alcock; Psalms, Hayes and Matthews; Benedicite, Ward in A; Jubilate, Goodson in C; Hymns, 243 and 199.
Holy Communion (12 noon).
Kyrie, Jackson in C; Offertory Hymn, 532.
Evensong (5 45 p.m.):—Responses, Ferial; Psalms, Turle, Tallis and Rimbault; Magnificat, Hawes in E; Nunc Dimittis, Heywood in E flat; Hymns 242, 531 and 168; Vesper Hymn, Ward (No. 1).

Union Church.

6 p.m.:—Hymn, No. 123 (Petersham), Poole; Hymn, No. 509 (Melita), Dykes; Anthem, No. 167 'How lovely are the Messengers,' Mendelssohn; Hymn, No. 144 (Evan), Havergal; Hymn, No. 423 (Almsgiving), Dykes; Hymn, No. 151 (French), Scotch Psalter.

11 a.m.:—Sanctus, No. 232, Attwood; Hymn, No. 151 (French), Scotch Psalter; Chant, No. 41, Goss and Pye; Anthem, No. 167, 'How lovely are the Messengers,' Mendelssohn; Hymn, No. 534 (Salamis), Greek Air; Hymn, No. 443 (Deerhurst), Langran.

St. Peter's Church, Queen's Road West.

Matins (11 a.m):—Venite, Jones; Te Deum, Woodward; Benedictus, Troutbeck; Hymns, 194, 186, 182, and 579.
Evensong (6.30 p.m.):—Magnificat, Goss Nunc Dimittis, Crotch; Hymns, 192, 436, 184, and 187.

The Church launch *Dayspring* will call on the ships carrying white crews to bring friends ashore to the services between 9.15 and 10.30 a.m., and between 5.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon Police Pier 10.30 and 6), returning afterwards. The answering pennant is the 'call flag.' All the sittings are free and unappropriated, Visitors welcome. Hymn Books, &c., provided.

Sunday School:—10—10.45 a.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.

(TEMPORARILY DURING CHURCH ENLARGEMENT).
St. Andrew's Hall.
Sunday Morning:—10.15 a.m.
Soldiers' Home, Arsenal Street.—
Sunday afternoon:—3 p.m.
Sunday School and Bible Class.
Sunday evening:—6 p.m.

Gospel Hall, 6 Arsenal Street.

Meetings are held as follows:—
Sunday:—Acts 2.42, 11 a.m. Gospel Address, 6 p.m.
Tuesday:—Soldiers' & Sailors' Bible Class 6 p.m.
Thursday:—General Bible Class, 6 p.m.
Saturday:—Prayer Meeting, 6 p.m.

Sundays, Naval Depot, Kowloon.

Evensong:—6 p.m.
Holy Communion.—3rd Sundays:—8 a.m.

Peak Church.

Holy Communion:—8 a.m.

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HALL OF UNION CHURCH, KENNEDY ROAD
Deutscher Gottesdienst:—9.45 a.m.

Union Church, Kowloon.

TEMPORARILY IN THE BRITISH SCHOOL, ROBINSON ROAD.
Sunday School:—4 p.m.
Service Celebrating Centenary of Bible Society:—8.15 p.m.

Kowloon Docks.

Service in Celebration of Bible Society Centenary:—7.45 p.m.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close:—

For KOBE.—
Per *Ascot*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 6th March.
Per *Rasbera*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 6th March.

For HOIHOW, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK.—
Per *Pitsanulok*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 6th March.

For MOJI.—
Per *Ovid*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 6th March.

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.—
Per *Frithjof*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 6th March.

For KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Braemar*, at 3 p.m., on Monday, the 7th March.

For SWATOW & BANGKOK.—
Per *Machew*, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 7th March.

For MANILA.—
Per *Tremont*, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, the 8th March.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Laisang*, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 8th March.

For MANILA.—
Per *Loongsang*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 8th March.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Australien* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 8th Mar., with Mails to the United Kingdom, the Continent of Europe, and places beyond, *via Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.
Registration at 10 a.m.
Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.
Letters at 11 a.m.
Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.—

The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet *Empress of Japan* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 9th March, with Mails, for Shanghai, Japan, United States, Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.
Registration at 10 a.m.
(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.)
Letters at 11 a.m.
(Supplementary Mail on board up to the times fixed for the departure of the Mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 4.

Stolberg, German str., 1,553, E. Deinat, Shanghai March 1, General.—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Brisgavia, German str., 4,168, P. Schülke, Hamburg and Singapore Feb. 27, General. —HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Chwnshan, British str., 1,281, J. Jenkins, Saigon Feb. 29, Rice and Meal.—BRADLEY & Co.

Madeleine Rickmers, German str., 1,020, T. Sanders, Bangkok February 27, Rice. —BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

March 5.

Korea, American steamer, 5,651, Wm. B. Seabury, San Francisco Feb. 2, and Manila March 2, Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Tsintau, German str., 1,003, O. Koch, Bangkok Feb. 27, Rice.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Tyr, Norwegian steamer, 1,718, D. L. Danielsen, Swatow March 4.—SANDER, WIELER & Co.

Kansu, British str., 1,142, W. Baddeley, Manila March 2, Ballast.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Loongsang, British str., 1,092, G. S. Weigall, Manila March 2, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Algerine, British despatch-vessel, 1,050, Nugent, Singapore Feb. 23.

Hertha, German cruiser, 6000, Schimmelmann, Woosung March 1.

DEPARTURES.

March 5.

Rubi, for Manila.
Hailoong, for Swatow.
Petchaburi, for Swatow.
Diu, Portuguese gunboat, for Macao.
M. Struve, for Tamsui
Kungping, for Shanghai.
Chunsang, for Singapore.
Bergenhus, for Rangoon.
Anamba, for Bangkok.
Kansu, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Laertes, for Saigon.
Nanyang, for Saigon.
Konigsberg, for Singapore.
Johanne, for Swatow.
Kohsichang, for Heihow.
Frithjof, for Swatow.
Ovid, for Moji.
Tyr, for Moji.
Ascot, for Kobe.
Rasbera, for Kobe.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Stolberg*, from Shanghai, Mr Watson, and 94 Chinese.

Per *Korea*, from San Francisco, &c., Mr G. F. Foye, Mrs E. Foye-Shortledge, Mr and Mrs H. D. Reinken, Mr and Mrs E. B. Kimball, Miss G. Hammon, Mr and Mrs E. S. Benson, Miss G B. Jackson, Mrs Gray-Donald, Mr and Mrs Geo. E. Rockwood, Mr and Mrs B. F. Dillingham, Mrs J. Davis, Mr and Mrs H. C. Butcher, Miss Laura P. Butcher, Miss Eleanor P. Butcher, Mr and Mrs C L. Harrison, Mr and Mrs Chas. Morgan and maid, Dr O. E. Wall, Mr Frank J. Patterson and valet, Messrs J. N. Sutton, A. W. Perry, J. W. Taylor, C. W. Yale, W. R. Moffitt, A. J. Croll, C. P. F. Kellogg, N. Frankel, J. O. Loreridge, C. H. Deere, J. F. Wilkinson, F. E. Clark, Claude H. Smith, F. H. Jennyn, A. S. Murray-Starert, M. B. Koon, L. S. Gillette, J. B. Gilfillan, Jr., J. S. Pillsbury, and R. E. Maynard, Mr and Mrs W. T. Wonyon, Mr and Mrs E. F. de Beixeden, Master C. de Beixeden, Master de Beixeden, Miss Beixeden and maid, Mrs Frederic Smyth, Mr and Mrs R. W. Tirrill, Miss M. B. Stuart, Mr and Mrs Geo. T. Hawley, Mr and Mrs L. Goldman, Mr and Mrs S. G. Hayman, Mr and Mrs F. A. Sheman and child, Mrs D. R. Williams, Mr and Mrs G. R. Harvey and child, Master Stanley Harvey, Mr and Mrs H. K. Love, Miss Spring, Miss Murray, Mr and Mrs M. A. Clark, Capt. Morrison, Capt. Kuhn, Dr L. H. Fales, Dr P. A. Fox, Messrs E. A. Kelley, G. R. Putnam, L. H. Westdohl, S. P. Mobley, E. R. Sizer, Jr., G. R. Adams, M. S. Chase, G. L. Soliense, A. J. Francis, W. A. Lamont, C. G. Cook, Edmond Block, M. Koch, A. E. Esche, C. L. Simpson, T. Erlanger, and $10 Chinese.

Per *Brisgavia*, from Singapore, 639 Chinese.

Per *Tremont*, from Seattle, Major F. S. Bourne, Mr and Mrs D. G. Allen, Mr and Mrs W. E. Olson, Mr and Mrs J. C. Good, Messrs Goldsmith, Blum, and 19 Chinese; from Yokohama, Lieut. C. A. Fustaphieve, Messrs J. B. Suttor and J. Collaco; from Kobe, Messrs K Oshiro, K. Daisei, H. Yamane, T. Kojimna, S. Yamauchi, W. Uchiura, 45 Japanese and 83 Chinese.

Per *Loongsang*, from Manila, Mrs J. Newwick, Dr Marshall, Messrs J Bardsley, M. C. Brady, F. P. Bankan, J. Smith, and 32 Chinese.

Per *Kansu*, from Manila, Dr Swan, Mr Barnes, and 27 Chinese.

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To-day's Advertisements

FROM HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship *Brisgavia*, Capt. SCHULKE, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the GODOWNS OF THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 12th inst., 1904, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, March 5, 1904. 489

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Officer
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

Section.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellet's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessels' Names.	Anchorage	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons nett.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Ascot	8 c	Cox	British str.	2786	Feb. 24	Order	Kobe	March 6.
Babelsberg	3 c	Wendt	Ger. str.	1379	Feb. 28	East Asiatic Trading Co.		
Beechly	8 c	Forsyth	British str.	2466	Feb. 24	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Braemar	3 c	Saxby	British str.	2316	Feb. 28	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Kobe & Yokohama	March 7.
Brisgavia	k w	Schulke	Ger. str.	4168	Mar. 4	Hamburg-Amerika Linie	Yokohama & Kobe	March 9.
Brunhilde	3 c	Selck	British str.	872	Mar. 2	Yuen Fat Hong	Samarang & S'baya	March 7.
Charles Hardouin	3 c	Lauvage	French str.	909	Jan. 15	Order		
Chow Fa	3 c	Kohler	Ger. str.	1055	Feb. 26	Butterfield & Swire	Bangkok	March 8.
Chunsang	9 c	Cox	British str.	1418	Feb. 28	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Chwnshan	3 c	Jenkins	British str.	1280	Mar. 4	Bradley & Co.		
Edendale	3 c	Moss	British str.	718	Mar. 4	A. R. Marty		
Else	....	Petersen	Ger. str.	903	Feb. 17	Jebsen & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Empress of Japan	4 c	Beetham	British str.	3003	Feb. 17	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	March 9.
Eretria	3 c	Mulcahy	British str.	2252	Feb. 29	Standard Oil Co.		
Fausang	3 c	Mitchell	British str.	1410	Feb. 29	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Ferndene	3 k	Fisher	British str.	2448	Feb. 22	Dodwell & Co., Limited.		
Fiume		Ucker	Ger. str.	1500	Feb. 26	Sander, Wieler & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Frithjof	3 c	Haraldsen	Norw. str.	891	Mar. 2	Sander, Wieler & Co.	Swatow and Tamsui	March 6.
Goodwin	8 c	Nesbett	British str.	2164	Feb. 23	Bradley & Co.		
Haldis	3 c	Jensen	Norw. str.	1055	Feb. 23	Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Helene Rickmers	....	Rebblemend	Ger. str.	997	Jan. 13	Butterfield & Swire	....	K'loon Dock
Independent	3 c	Ziegler	Ger. str.	871	Feb. 29	Sander Wieler & Co.		
Johanne	3 c	Ipland	Ger. str.	952	Mar. 4	Jebsen & Co		
Kaifong		Tunnelather	British str.	1024	Feb. 2	Butterfield & Swire	....	A'deen Dock
Kampot	3 c	Bavay	French str.	960	Feb. 23	Bradley & Co.		
Kansu	3 c	Baddeley	British str.	1142	Mar. 5	Butterfield & Swire		
Koh-si-chang	3 c	Spiesen	Ger. str.	1291	Mar. 1	Melchers & Co.		
Konigsberg	3 c	Mayer	Ger. str.	4855	Mar. 4	Hamburg-Amerika Linie	Rangoon	March 5.
Korea	3 c	Seabury	Amer. str.	5651	Mar. 5	P. M. S. S. Co.		
Laisang	4 c	Tadd	British str.	2225	Feb. 29	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore & Calcutta	March 8.
Loongsang	5 c	Weigall	British str.	1092	Mar. 5	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manila	March 8.
Lugano	8 c	Bockholt	Ger. str.	2965	Feb. 29	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Machaon	k w	Long	British str.	4278	Mar. 3	Butterfield & Swire		
Mathew	3 c	Harjes	Ger. str.	996	Mar. 3	Butterfield & Swire	Swatow & Bangkok	March 8.
Michael Jebsen	3 c	Cldrup	Ger. str.	710	Mar. 2	Jebsen & Co.		
Madeleine Rickmers	3 c	Sanders	Ger. str.	1020	Mar. 4	Butterfield & Swire		
Nanyang	8 c	Hass	Ger. str.	983	Feb. 29	E. A. Trading Co.		
Ovid	8 c	Cubitt	British str.	2686	Mar. 3	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	Moji	March 6.
Peleus	5 c	Barwise	British str.	4860	Feb. 29	Butterfield & Swire		
Petchaburi	..	Hillmann	Ger. str.	1189	Feb. 19	Butterfield & Swire	....	K'loon Dock
Pitsanulok	3 c	Fuchs	Ger. str.	1267	Mar. 1	Butterfield & Swire	Hoihow & Bangkok	March 6.
Proteus	3 c	Moller	Norw. str.	1028	Mar. 4	E. A. Trading Co.		
Quarta	3 c	Johannsen	Ger. str.	1146	Feb. 26	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Ras Bera	9 c	Morris	British str.	2499	Feb. 29	Dodwell & Co., Ld.	Kobe	March 6.
Saint Nicholas	3 c	Bar	British str.	2284	Mar. 2	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Salferdia	..	Crisp	British str.	2365	Feb. 14	Order	....	Cos'tan Dock
Stolberg	5 c	Deinat	Ger. str.	1553	Mar. 4	Hamburg-Amerika Linie		
Sullberg	3 c	Meyer	Ger. str.	780	Mar. 1	Hamburg-Amerika Linie		
Sungkiang	..	Robinson	British str.	1021	Feb. 1	Butterfield & Swire	....	K'loon Dock
Taicheong	3 c	Wiebking	Ger. str.	828	Mar. 1	Meyer & Co.		
Taksang	3 c	Baker	British str.	977	Mar. 4	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Taming	3 c	Stott	British str.	1362	Mar. 4	Butterfield & Swire		
Telemachus	3 c	Williamson	British str.	1379	Feb. 19	Nam Wo & Co.		
Tingsang	4 c	King	British str.	1045	Feb. 29	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Tremont	3 c	Garlick	Amer. str.	6145	Mar. 4	Dodwell & Co., Ld.	Manila	March 8.
Tsintau	3 c	Koch	Ger. str.	1002	Mar. 5	Butterfield & Swire		
Tyr	3 c	Danielsen	Norw. str.	1418	Mar. 5	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Victoria	3 c	Hermansson	Swed. str.	989	Feb. 29	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Victoria	3 c	Truebridge	Amer. str.	2112	Mar. 4	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Wongkoi	3 c	Reher	Ger. str.	1115	Mar. 3	Butterfield & Swire		
Yuensang	4 c	Rolfe	British str.	1128	Feb. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Sailing Vessels.								
Karl Ella	8 c	Biguhl	Ger. sch.	47	Feb. 26	Captain		
Grosvenor	2 c	Schlaiffino	Brit. bqe.	516	June 13	Order		
Lothair	2 c		Ital. bqe.	794	Jan. 12	Carlowitz & Co.		
Seestern	3 c	Moller	Ger. yacht	528	Feb. 26	German Government		

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

[SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.]

St. Nicholas, Tiberius, Franz Ferdinand, Willowdene, Feb. 5; *Nithsdale, Sandyford, Strathnevis*, 9; *Asama, Telemachus, Lowther, Warrior*, 12; *Patroclus, Trieste, Cymbeline*, 16; *Flintshire, Ningchow, Japan, Frankly*, 19; *Yangtsze, Benalder, Pyrrhus, Monthmouthshire, Palawan, Rosely*, 23; *Glenfarg, Hamburg, Ambria, Sachsen, Suevia, Trentham*, 26; *Salazie, Caithness, Plitvice*, (delayed through mutilation), *Glenartney*, March 1.

Mails.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer *Armand Behic* with the FRENCH MAIL of the 5th February, will leave Saigon on Friday, the 4th March, at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 7th March. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 5th January.

The O. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Gaelic*, with mails &c., from San Francisco to the 10th February via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and leaves for this port on the morning of 2nd March via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *China*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 16th February.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of China* left Vancouver on Tuesday afternoon, the 23rd February, for Hongkong, via the usual Ports of Call.

Steamers Expected.

The N. G. I. S. S. *Ischia* left Singapore for this port on the 1st March, and may be expected here on or about the 6th March.

The s.s. *Australian*, from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 1st March for Manila and this port.

The s.s. *Saint Bede* left Singapore for Manila on the 29th February en route to this port.

The s.s. *Arratoon Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of 2nd March.

The H. A. L. steamer *Saxonia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of 2nd March, and may be expected here on or about the 8th March.

The Ben Line steamer *Bencleuch*, from Leith and London, left Singapore on the 2nd March, for this port.

The Indo-China S. N. Co. Ld.'s s.s. *Kumsang*, left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 27th February, and may be expected here on or about 15th March.

The C. N. Co.'s s.s. *Chingtu*, from Australian Ports, left Port Darwin on 24th February, and is expected to arrive here on the 4th March.

The P. & A. Co.'s steamer *Indrasamha* from Portland, Oregon, arrived at Yokohama at 4 p.m. on the 3rd March and is expected to arrive in Hongkong about March 15th.

Latest Advices.

The Boston Steamship Co.'s *Shawmut* sailed from Yokohama for Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma on 3rd March.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s *Lyra* sailed from Victoria, B.C., for Yokohama and the usual ports on 3rd March.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Malacca* left Singapore for this port on the 3rd March, at 10 p.m.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, March 5, 1904.

On London—
Bank, Wire, ...1/10¼
,, On demand, ...1/10⅜
,, 30 days' sight, ...1/10⅜
,, 4 months' sight, ...1/10⅝
Credits, 4 ,, ...1/10¾
Documentary, 4 months' sight, ...1/10⅞
On Paris—
On demand, ... 233½
Credits, 4 months sight, ... 238
On Berlin—
On Demand, ... 190½
On New York—
On demand, ... 45⅛
Credits, 60 days' sight, ... 46
On Bombay—
Wire, ... 138¼
On demand, ... 138½
On Calcutta—
Wire, ... 138¼
On demand, ... 138½
On Singapore—
On demand, ... Nom.
On Manila—
On demand, ... Nom.
On Shanghai—
On demand, ... 71
30 days' sight, (private paper) ... 71⅞
On Yokohama—
On demand, ... 91½
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)... .. $56.50
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) ...$10.70
Silver (per oz.) — .. 26⅞

Hongkong Register.

	Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.85	29.85	29.76
Temperature	65	74	75
Humidity ...	89	78	77
Direction of Wind ...	E	S	S
Force ...	3	2	2
Weather ...	od	o	o
Rain ...	—	0.02	—

Highest open air temperature on the 3rd......67
Lowest open air temperature on the 3rd......63

J. I. PLUMMER, *Chief Assistant.*
Hongkong Observatory, March 4th, 1904.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 5th at 12.2 p.m. The barometer has risen rapidly over the Yangtse valley, and fallen at all other stations.

The depression in the interior of China has now its centre further southward.

Gradients are slight at present over the Formosa Channel, but may be expected to become steeper for NE. winds later.

Forecast:—Moderate S. to SW. winds; cloudy, fair.

Information from Japan and N. China is wanting.

He Found Relief

GEORGE RUDKIN, Town Clerk, Kumara, New Zealand, says:—"I have very great pleasure in stating that, having used Chamberlain's Pain Balm in a very severe attack of sciatica, I found immediate relief. Had before tried many other embrocations for the same purpose, but found this the most efficacious. Several of my friends who have been afflicted with rheumatism have, on my advice, tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm with equally good results. I confidently recommend it to those in need of a good household liniment or embrocation." For sale by all chemists and medicine vendors; Watkins Ltd., General Agents.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

4th March.—AT 4 P.M.

Station.	Hours.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.
Wl'ostock	2 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	,,	29.84	—	—	NW	8	—
Hakodate	,,	30.21	—	—	W	10	—
Tokio	,,	30.30	—	—	S	4	—
Kochi	,,	30.15	—	—	E	2	—
Nagasaki	,,	30.03	—	—	SE	6	—
Kagoshima	,,	30.03	—	—	E	10	—
Oshima	,,	30.04	—	—	SE	6	—
Naha	,,	30.89	—	—	SE	2	—
Ishi'jima	,,	29.89	—	—	SW	6	—
Taihoku	1 p.	29.81	—	—	SE	2	—
Taichu	,,	29.86	—	—	SW	2	—
Tainan	,,	29.82	—	—	S	6	—
Koshun	,,	29.87	—	—	S	4	—
Pescadores	,,	29.81	—	—	S	6	—
Weihaiwei	3 p.	29.82	42	—	SE	2	—
Gutzlaff	,,	29.71	66	68	SSW	1	cv
Sharp Pk.	,,	29.77	60	94	—	0	o
Amoy	2.30p.	—	63	89	WNW	1	r
Swatow	3 p.	29.80	66	—	E	1	o
Canton	,,	29.7[illegible]	80	74	S	6	c
Hongkong	4 p.	29.76	75	77	S	2	o
Vict. Peak	,,	—	—	—	SSW	7	—
Gap Rock	,,	29.74	—	—	SE	3	—
Macao	,,	29.72	73	—	S	3	c
Haiphong	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	,,	29.80	90	48	SE	3	b
Bacolod	3 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iloilo	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cebu	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
C. S. James	4 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malate		—	—	—	—	—	—
5th March.—AT 10 A.M.							
Wl'ostock	7 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hakodate	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oshima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ishi'jima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku	5 a.	29.84	—	—	—	0	—
Taichu	,,	29.84	—	—	—	0	—
Tainan	,,	29.86	—	—	S	2	—
Koshun	,,	29.89	—	—	—	0	—
Pescadores	,,	29.86	—	—	SW	4	—
Weihaiwei	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gutzlaff	,,	30.08	46	84	N	7	cm
Sharp Pk.	,,	29.81	63	94	—	0	o
Amoy	8.30a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Swatow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	,,	29.76	79	91	SE	3	g
Hongkong	10 a.	29.83	74	70	S	1	o
Vict. Peak	,,	—	—	—	SSW	5	—
Gap Rock	,,	29.82	—	—	S	4	—
Macao	,,	29.79	72	—	S	1	o
Haiphong	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	,,	29.92	84	64	NW	1	b
Bacolod	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iloilo	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cebu	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
C. S. James	10 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malate		—	—	—	—	—	—

J. I. PLUMMER, *Chief Assistant.*
Hongkong Observatory, March 5, 1904.

Croupy Children.

IF your children are subject to croup watch for the first symptom of the disease—hoarseness. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, the attack can be averted. Even after the croupy cough has appeared, the attack can always be prevented by giving this remedy. It is also invaluable for colds and whooping cough. It always cures, and cures quickly. For sale by all chemists and medicine vendors. WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Bremen, &c.	Roon (s)	Melchers & Co.	March 16.
Bremen, &c.	Preussen (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	March 30.
Genoa, Mar'les L'pool	Glaucus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 15.
Havre and Hamburg	Bamberg (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	March 22.
Havre and Hamburg.	Sambia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	March 23.
Japan	Tjipanas (s)	ChinaH'land T'ing Co.	2nd half of March.
Kobe & Yokohama	Braemar (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Mar. 7, at 4 p.m.
London, &c.	Ballaarat (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Mar. 12, at Noon.
London, Antwerp, &c.	Borneo (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About March 3.
London & Antwerp	Ajax (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 15.
London & Antwerp	Pakling (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 29.
Marseilles via Saigon	Australien (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Mar. 8, at 1 p.m.
Manila, Aus'lian Ports	Eastern (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Mar. 10, at Noon.
Manila	Zafiro (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Mar. 12, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Rubi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Mar. 19, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Tremont (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	March 8.
Manila	Loongsang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	March 8, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Kaifong (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 10.
New York v. Suez Canal	Afridi (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	March 15.
New York v. Suez Canal	Kennebec (s)	Standard Oil Co.	About Mar. 23.
Shanghai	Simla (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About March 12.
Shanghai	Kwangse (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 10.
S'hai, Kobe & Y'hama	Armand Behic (s)	Messageries Maritimes	About March 7.
S'pore Ol'bo, B'bay &c.	Silesia (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	March 23.
S'hai and Portland, Or	Indrasamha (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	March 24.
S'pore, P'ang, Calcutta	Laisang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	March 8, at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Java Ports, &c.	Tjilatjap (s)	ChinaH'land T'ing Co.	1st half of March.
Singapore & Calcutta	Konigsberg (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	Mar. 6. Daylight.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	Brithjof (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Mar. 6, at 10 a.m.
S'tow, Amoy & F'chow	Triumph (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Mar. 8, at 10 a.m.
S'tow, Amoy & Anping	Triton (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Mar. 9, at 10 a.m.
S'tow, Wei'wei & T'tsin	Kansu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 10.
S'tow, Amoy & R'goon	Pentakota (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Mar. 8, at 4 p.m.
S'tow, Amoy, Foochow	Thales (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Mar. 8, Daylight.
Takao Direct	Quarta (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	March 7. at 4 p.m.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	March 9.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	March 30.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Victoria (s)	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	March 16.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tremont (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	March 25.
Yma, S'hai, Moji, Kobe	Malacca (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About March 8.
Yokohama & Kobe	Brisgavia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	Mar. 9, at Noon.
Yokohama & Kobe	Saxonia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	March 10, at 4 p.m.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

March 5, 1904.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations. Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$ 125	all	$610, sellers London, £59
National Bank of China, Limited ...	19,970	£ 10	£ 8	$34, buyers
	29,955	£ 10	£ 8	$34, buyers
Do. Founders' shares	750	£ 1	£ 1	$10
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld. ...	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$175, sales & sellers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld. ...	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	$55, buyers
North-China Insurance Co., Ld. ...	10,000	£ 15	£ 5	Tls. 67
Union Insurance Society, Ld. ...	10,000	$ 250	$ 100	$465, sellers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$ 100	$ 60	$135
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld. ...	20,000	$ 100	20	$90, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$ 250	50	$300, buyers
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ld.,	50,000	$ 50	all	$202, buyers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited. ...	6,000	$ 25	$ 25	$51
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd. ...	6,000	$ 6¼	$ 6¼	$37½, sellers
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co. Ld. ...	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 138
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 50	$ 50	$23, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited ...	20,000	$ 50	all	$33, sellers
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld	80,000	$ 15	$ 15	$27½, sellers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£ 10	all	$84, buyers
Star Ferry Company, Ld. ...	10,000	$ 10	$ 10	$30, sellers
	10,000	$ 10	$ 5	$18½, sellers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	9,000,000	£ 1	£ 1	19/- sellers
do. Preference.	100,000	£ 10	£ 10	£10, Nominal
Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ld. ...	8,600	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 36, buyers
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 48, buyers
do. Preference.	100,000			Tls. 46, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited ...	20,000	$ 100	a	$107, buyers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited. ...	7,000	$ 100	a	$10, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ld. ...	7,000	Tls. 50	T. 50	Tls. 50
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	$ 50	all	$95
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co. ...	20,100	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 207½, sales
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited ...	50,000	$ 100	100	$148, sales
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ld.	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 110, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$ 50	30	$35, sellers
Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co., Ld	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 10, sales
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	100,000	$ 10	all	$10½, buyers
	50,000	$ 10	$ 2½	$2½
West Point Building Co., Limited ...	12,500	$ 50	$ 50	$54, sellers
TRAMWAYS.				
HK. High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$ 100	all	$300
MINING.				
New Punjom Mining Co., Ld. ...	60,000	$ 11	$ 11	$1, sellers
,, Preference shares ...	30,000	$ 1	all	25 cents
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin. ...	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	$500, sellers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld. ...	200,000	£ 1	18/10	$6½, buyers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd. ...	12,000	$ 50	all	$144, sellers
Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Tientsin)	2,000	T. Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150, buyers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'hai)	30,000	$ 25	$ 25	$28, sales
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited. ...	60,000	$ 10	all	$14½, sellers
Watkins Limited ...	10,000	$ 10	$ 10	$7½, sellers
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited ...	7,000	£ 10	all	$140, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd. ...	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 117½, ex div.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited ...	30,000	$ 10	$ 10	$12½, sellers
New Electrics (new issue) ...	30,000	$ 10	$ 5	$7, sellers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld. ...	50,000	$ 10	$ 10	$21½, sellers
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld. ...	8,604	£ 12/6	£ 12/6	$5, sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	2,000 ord'y	$ 10	$ 4	$9
	100 fders	$ 10	$ 10	$210, buyers
HK. Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd. ...	7,000	$ 10	$ 10	$15½, sellers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co. ...	10,000	$ 7½	all	$12½
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited ...	5,000	$ 25	all	$227, sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd. ...	7,200	£ 20	£ 20	Tls. 425
[illegible]bran Planting Company, Ltd. ...	20,000	$ 5	$ 5	$1, sellers
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 50	all	$150, sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	120,0[illegible]	$ 10	$ 10	$15½, sellers
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld. ...	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 33, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld. ...	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 25
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld. ...	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 32½
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls500	Tls. 170
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co. Ld. ...	50,000	$ 10	$ 10	$8.50, sellers
China Borneo Company, Ltd. ...	60,000	$ 12	$ 12	$8½, buyers
Campbell Moore & Co., Limited ...	1,200	$ 10	all	$10, sellers
Wm. Powell, Ld. ...	12,000	$ 10	$ 10	$9½, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ld.	1,200	$ 50	$ 50	$50
The Canton Hongkong Ice and Cold Storage Company, Limited ...	70,000	$ 10	$ 10	$10, Nominal
CIGAR COMPANIES.				
Philippine Co., Ld. ...	67,500	$ 1[illegible]	$ 10	$10, buyers
Alhambra Limited ...	300	$ 500	$ 5X	$500

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotations.
Chinese Imperial 1886	Tls. 767,900	Tls. 250	7 p. c. annum	Par

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